



JOB POSTING:
Deputy Public Defender – Director of Juvenile Defender Services

POST DATE: August 1, 2012

Qualifications:

An eligible applicant must be an attorney licensed to practice law in the United States with at least five years of specific experience in the defense of juveniles in delinquency proceedings. If licensed as an attorney in a state other than Louisiana, the employee must become licensed as an attorney in this state within one year of being employed by the Board. An eligible applicant must also be a U.S. citizen, become a domiciliary of Louisiana who is registered to vote in Louisiana, and be available to work full-time in the state's Baton Rouge office.

Duties:

The Deputy Public Defender – Director of Juvenile Defender Services is a full-time, executive-level staff position with the State of Louisiana. Responsibilities include:

- Work with criminal justice stakeholders, including judges, district attorneys, sheriffs, probation officers, and law enforcement officials to promote sound juvenile justice processes in relation to fair adjudication processes, and placement and treatment of juveniles charged in delinquency proceedings that focus on rehabilitation of the offender;
- Promote positive changes (state-wide) in educational opportunities, mental health services and other treatment services for juveniles in the court system;
- Conduct a community outreach/education campaign for all stakeholders (including the client community) to raise public appreciation of the cognitive, emotional, decision-making, and/or behavioral capacities of children and young adults and, as such, raise public support for programs/resources that give special attention to the uniform and competent representation of juveniles;
- Participate as a member of the District Defender Advisory Council and lead the Juvenile Defender Advisory Council to implement LPDB objectives in accordance with its strategic plan and five year agency goals;
- Develop, implement and evaluate juvenile defense services in delinquency, Child in Need of Care, and Families in Need of Services representation through the development and implementation of Performance Standards, training programs and other juvenile resources;

- Support the State Public Defender as her Deputy in budgetary, legislative, and administrative affairs; and
- Perform all other duties assigned by the State Public Defender.

Compensation:

Compensation is salaried and commensurate with experience. Employment with the State of Louisiana includes full health benefits and enrollment in the State of Louisiana Retirement System. The Louisiana Public Defender Board encourages professional development and supports these opportunities for its staff.

To Apply:

Please submit a resume/curriculum vitae, writing sample and three references by e-mail, fax or hard copy to:

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The Louisiana Public Defender Board is an equal opportunity employer. We encourage applicants who represent the communities that we serve.